



KEWAUNEE COUNTY ADMINISTRATOR'S OFFICE

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Kewaunee County Puts Out the Call for Lake Michigan Artwork

KEWAUNEE, WI – Kewaunee County is asking local artists to help them showcase the coastal beauty of Kewaunee County on Monday, March 13th at a meeting with National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA) officials, regarding a proposed Lake Michigan National Marine Sanctuary.

Kewaunee County is requesting to be included in a NOAA preferred plan that focuses on the shorelines of Manitowoc, Ozaukee and Sheboygan counties. The designation of becoming a National Marine Sanctuary, not only protects shipwrecks of historic value, it can also be a great asset to tourism.

Kewaunee County Board Supervisor Lee Luft has been spearheading the effort to get Kewaunee County on the map with NOAA, "Of the 3,144 counties in the entire United States, only about 70 are fortunate enough to be situated on one of the Great Lakes and of course Kewaunee County is one of those fortunate few," said Luft. "There is only one other Great Lakes Marine Sanctuary on Lake Huron and the communities near to this sanctuary continue to benefit from the increased attention."

Kewaunee County has created an informational web page on www.kewauneeco.org titled, "National Marine Sanctuary" for the public. On this web page, visitors can find the "Call for Art" request to help show local appreciation for living on the lakeshore.

"We are blessed to be located on Lake Michigan, said Jennifer Schneider, Kewaunee County Tourism Coordinator/Public Information Officer. "We have so many talented artists in Kewaunee County, this is their chance to shine and display their work."

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Below are two upcoming meetings scheduled in Kewaunee County for the public:

Community Meeting

When: Monday, February 20th

Where: Algoma City Hall

416 Fremont Street, Algoma

Time: 7:00PM

NOAA Meeting – Kewaunee County

When: Monday, March 13th

Where: Knudson Hall

620 Lake Street, Algoma

Time: 6:30PM-8:00PM

To view the “National Marine Sanctuary” web page created by Kewaunee County, visit:

<http://www.co.kewaunee.wi.gov/section.asp?linkid=2425&locid=192>

To read more information provided by NOAA, visit:

<http://sanctuaries.noaa.gov/wisconsin/>

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